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To: Members of the staff at Headquarters

From: The Controller

Subject: DECEMBER MID-MONTH SALARY ADVANCE

1. In his report to the General Assembly (A/46/600/Add.1 of 19 November 1991), the Secretary-General informed Member States that owing to the extraordinarily high level of unpaid assessed contributions, the financial situation of the United Nations has now deteriorated to the point of crisis. The Secretary-General further stated that the payments received to date for the regular budget are only sufficient to meet budget requirements until the end of November.

2. In the circumstances, it is necessary to implement certain measures immediately to deal with the cash shortage confronting the Organization. As you are aware, the December mid-month salary advance at Headquarters has traditionally included an additional amount of approximately one half of the regular mid-month advance. Given the critical cash situation, this additional amount will not be paid with the December 1991 mid-month salary advance.

3. I regret that in the light of the current financial situation, there is no alternative to this course of action.

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